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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 May 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-3 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 2 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 3 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 25 August 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by anyone of Stangel et al. US 5,021,793; Gabriel et al. US 4,937,584; Dickey, Jr. et al. US006166689A; or Hussain et al. US005515060A.

Referring to claims 1-2 and 4, Stangel discloses in figure 1 a radar system which reduces the interfering effect of a radar transmitter including generating at said radar transmitter a constant-amplitude pulse centered at a frequency within said nominal frequency bandwidth of said radar and having a nominal bandwidth which lies within said nominal frequency bandwidth, and which also has an actual bandwidth which extends into said other operating band; applying phase perturbations to said constant-amplitude pulse so as to produce a phase-perturbed constant-amplitude pulse centered at said frequency within said nominal frequency bandwidth of said radar with reduced amplitude of that portion of said actual bandwidth of said constant-amplitude pulse which lies within said other operating band; and transmitting said phase-perturbed constant-amplitude pulse toward a radar target (see figure 1, Abstract, col. 2 lines 24-50). Gabriel teaches a similar system to suppress interference using phase

perturbations to null the interferences (see Abstract). Dickey also teaches a similar system using phase perturbations to null interferences (see col. 10 lines 21-35). Hussain teaches a clutter suppression for a radar array including a perturbation phase generator (see Abstract).

Referring to claims 5-6, it's inherent that each of the reference above teaches the claimed null center factor, where at least one of the frequency, width, shape is identified. (see Dickey, col. 2 line 65 – col. 3 line 5; see Hussain col. 2 lines 18-22).

Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 3 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-6 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

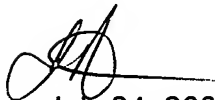
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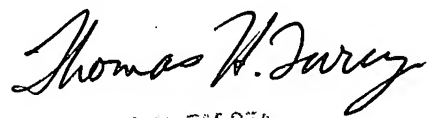
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Isam Alsomiri whose telephone number is 571-272-6970. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Tarcza can be reached on 571-272-6979. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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July 24, 2005


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	C	US-5,515,060 A	05-1996	Hussain et al.	342/376
	D	US-5,021,793	06-1991	Stangel et al.	342/383
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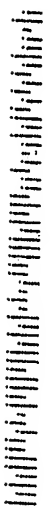
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